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LAUNCH COMPLEX B

ANTIMISSILE TEST CENTER, SARY-SHAGAN, USSR

1. [] PROVIDED THE FIRST COVERAGE OF LAUNCH COMPLEX "B". THIS LAUNCH COMPLEX HAS SUBSEQUENTLY BEEN COVERED BY 30 KH MISSIONS, RESULTING IN THE IDENTIFICATION OF LAUNCH FACILITIES "A" AND "B", A BUILDING TRIAD AREA, AN ASSEMBLY AND CHECKOUT FACILITY, AN AIRSTRIP, 4 LAUNCH INSTRUMENTATION SITES, AND A SUPPORT AREA.
2. THIS MISSION REVEALS THE ENTIRE LAUNCH COMPLEX "B" ON EXCELLENT QUALITY, STEREO PHOTOGRAPHY. NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IS OBSERVED AT LAUNCH FACILITY "A" [] EXCEPT FOR THE APPEARANCE OF 2 ERECTORS ALONG THE ROAD JUST EAST OF THE LAUNCH PAD. ONE OF THESE ERECTORS APPEARED []

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[] THE LAUNCHER ON THE PAD APPEARS UNCHANGED AND UNOCCUPIED.

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AT LAUNCH FACILITY "B" AN UNIDENTIFIED MISSILE IS OBSERVED FOR THE FIRST TIME ON EACH OF THE 2 RAIL-TYPE LAUNCHERS AT THE SEMI-CIRCULAR PADS B1 AND B2. THE LAUNCHER ON B1 IS ORIENTED ON AN

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[] THE 2 MISSILES APPEAR SIMILAR AND

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[] HAVE AN OVERALL LENGTH []

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[] THE PASS-THROUGH ERECTOR AT B4 APPEARS

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TO BE LARGER AND TALLER (30 FT) THAN THE ONE AT B3. THREE POSSIBLE INSTRUMENTATION POSITIONS CAN BE IDENTIFIED ON THE CROSSBAR OF A T-SHAPED PATTERN ADJACENT TO THE NORTH SIDE OF B4.

AT THE TRIAD AREA, THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOMES ON THE 3 TRIAD BUILDINGS APPEAR EXTERNALLY COMPLETE. JUST OUTSIDE THE SECURED TRIAD AREA AND CLOSE TO THE NW CORNER ARE 4 CIRCULAR EXCAVATIONS, EACH 20 FT IN DIAMETER, POSSIBLY FOUNDATIONS FOR A TOWER BASE. A POSSIBLE COOLING UNIT IS LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF BUILDING "A". THE 110-KV POWERLINE, PREVIOUSLY REPORTED UNDER CONSTRUCTION TO THE TRIAD AREA, HAS REACHED THE SUBSTATION NEAR THE SW CORNER, AND BURIED POWERLINES HAVE BEEN EXTENDED NORTH TO BUILDING "A" AND EAST TO AN UNIDENTIFIED 150 FT TOWER. FOUR PROBABLE LAUNCH POSITIONS, ALL CABLE-CONNECTED, ARE IDENTIFIED NEAR BUILDINGS "B" AND "C". TWO PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED PIECES OF EQUIPMENT CAN NOW BE IDENTIFIED AS A PROBABLE PASS-THROUGH ERECTOR 30 FT HIGH.

NO CHANGE IS APPARENT [REDACTED] AT THE MISSILE STORAGE 25X1 AND CHECKOUT AREA.

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